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SUBJECT: GATT - GROUP OF 18

1. DURING DISCUSSION OTHER MATTERS WITH LOCAL EC REP
LUYTEN, QUESTION OF EC REACTION TO DRAFT US PAPER ON
BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROCEDURES CAME UP. LUYTEN STATED
HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER COMMUNITY HAD AS YET REACTED
TO YEUTTER'S REQUEST FOR COMMENTS SINCE HIJZEN NOW HAS
NEW DUTIES BUT THAT LUYTEN UNDERSTOOD EC POSITION TO BE
THAT DEVELOPED COUNTRIES SHOULD NOT USE TRADE MEASURES
TO DEAL WITH BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROBLEMS. WE QUERIED
"YOU MEAN OTHER THAN QRS?" HE RESPONDED THAT SINCE
DCS DO NOT USE QRS, THEIR POSITION IN ESSENCE WAS AS
HE DESCRIBED IT. HE CONSIDERED IT WOULD BE UNDESIRABLE
TO TAKE ANY ACTION GIVE DEJURE OR DE FACTO AUTHORIZATION
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FOR DCS TO USE SURCHARGES, IMPORT DEPOSITS, OR OTHER

DEVICES. HE SUGGESTED THAT RECENT UK IMPORT RESTRICTIONS MIGHT HAVE BEEN WORSE IF GATT RULES/ PRACTICES HAD BEEN LOOSER. CONCERNING LDCS, HE FELT THERE WAS LITTLE PROSPECT THEIR ACCEPTING ANY REAL DISCIPLINE AND SAW LITTLE POINT IN DISCUSSING GENERAL GATT RULES ON SUBJECT WITH THEM. HE SAID THAT ACCORDINGLY WE CAN EXPECT EC TO TAKE VERY CAUTIOUS POSITION ON SUBJECT OF BP REFORM AT G-18 MEEGING.

2. CONCERNING G-18, HE SAID GALLAGHER WOULD BE COMMISSION REP. CANADIANS HAVE INFORMED US JOYCE WILL REPRESENT THEM. FRENCH INDICATE IF ANY ONE COMES FROM PARIS IT WILL BE COLLIN. (DE MOREL WILL BE IN PEKING AT TIME.) BRUNGART

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